Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (currently amended) A method for transferring data between a data source and a data sink, comprising:

initiating a transfer of an instant message having a first data format compatible with a first instant messaging system history data;

transferring said instant message history data in response to an establishment of a communication channel;

converting a received instant message history data to a previously selected second data format compatible with a second instant messaging system; and

storing said converted instant message history data in a previously selected location.

2.   (original) The method for transferring data according to claim 1, further comprising:

indicating an unavailability in response to a non-establishment of said communication channel.

3.   (original) The method for transferring data according to claim 2, further comprising:

providing a second attempt of establishing said communication channel in response to said unavailability.

4.   (original) The method for transferring data according to claim 1, wherein said transferring further comprises:

activating a destination synchronization module in response to the establishment of said communication channel; and

transferring said data in response to said activation of said destination synchronization module.

5.   (currently amended) The method for transferring data according to claim 1, wherein said converting further comprises:

providing a plurality of selectable data formats that said first data format and said second data format are selected from.

6.   (currently amended) The method for transferring data according to claim 1, wherein said storing further comprises:

providing a plurality of selectable storage locations for storage of said converted instant message history data.

7.   (original) The method for transferring data according to claim 1, further comprising:

establishing said communication channel over a wireless network.

8.   (original) The method for transferring data according to claim 1, further comprising:

establishing said communication channel over a wired network.

9.   (currently amended) A method for transferring chat history, comprising:

initiating a transfer of said chat history <u>in a first data format compatible with a first chat system</u>;

transferring said chat history in response to an establishment of a communication channel <u>in a second data format compatible with a second chat system</u>;

combining associated data related to said chat history; and

determining a destination of said chat history.

10.   (currently amended) The method for transferring chat history according to claim 9, further comprising:

converting said chat history to a previously selected <u>said second</u> data format in response to said destination being a current computing platform; and

storing converted chat history in a location previously determined.

11.   (original) The method for transferring chat history according to claim 10, further comprising:

transmitting a completion message in response to completion of said storing.

12.   (original) The method for transferring chat history according to claim 9, further comprising:

attempting to connect to a final destination device in response to said destination being said final destination device.

13. (currently amended) The method for transferring chat history according to claim 12, further comprising:

transferring said chat history in response to an establishment of a communication channel with said final destination device;

converting received chat history to a previously selected said second data format; and

storing said converted chat history in a previously selected location.

14. (original) The method for transferring chat history according to claim 13, further comprising:

transmitting a completion message in response to completion of said storing.

15. (currently amended) A method for synchronizing an instant message history, comprising:

initiating a transfer of said instant message in a first data format compatible with a first instant messaging system history;

transferring said instant message history in response to an establishment of a communication channel in a second data format compatible with a second instant messaging system; and

determining a destination of said instant message history.

16. (currently amended) The method for synchronizing an instant message history according to claim 15, further comprising:

converting said instant message history to a previously selected said second data format in response to said destination being a current computing platform; and

storing said converted instant message history in a location previously determined.

17.   (currently amended) The method for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ according to claim 16, further comprising:

transmitting a completion message in response to completion of said storing.

18.   (currently amended) The method for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message history according to claim 15, further comprising:

attempting to connect to another computing platform in response to said destination being said another computing platform.

19.   (currently amended) The method for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message history according to claim 18, further comprising:

transferring said <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ in response to an establishment of a communication channel with said destination;

converting <u>a</u> received <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ to a previously selected <u>said second</u> data format; and

storing <u>said</u> converted <u>instant</u> message ~~history data~~ in a previously selected location.

20.   (currently amended) The method for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message history according to claim 19, further comprising:

transmitting a completion message in response to a completion of said storing.

21.   (currently amended) An apparatus for synchronizing a chat history, comprising:

an interface adapted to communicate with a destination device;

a memory configured to store said chat history of a messaging program; and

a processor[[,]] ~~wherein said processor is~~ configured to accept a synchronization request, convert said chat history from a first data format compatible with a first chat system into a second data format compatible with a second chat system and to transfer said chat history from said memory in response to said an establishment of a communication channel through said interface.

22.   (original) The apparatus for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 21, wherein:

said processor is further configured to report unavailability of said destination device in response to an non-establishment of said communication channel.

23.   (original) The apparatus for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 21, wherein:

said processor is further configured to provide a second attempt of establishing said communication channel in response said unavailability of destination device.

24.   (original) The apparatus for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 21, wherein:

said processor is further adapted to activate a synchronization module on said destination device in response to said establishment of said communication channel and to transfer to said chat history in response to said activation of said synchronization module.

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25.   (currently amended) The apparatus for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 24, wherein said synchronization module of said destination is adapted to receive said chat history, convert said chat history to [[a]] ~~previously selected~~ said second data format and to store converted chat history in a previously selected location.

26.   (currently amended) A source device for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~, comprising:
an interface adapted to communicate with a destination device;
a memory configured to store said <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ of a messaging program; and
a processor[[,]] ~~wherein said processor is~~ configured to accept a synchronization request, <u>convert said instant message from a first data format compatible with a first chat system into a second data format compatible with a second chat system</u> and to transfer said <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ from said memory in response to said ~~an~~ establishment of a communication channel through said interface.

27.   (currently amended) The source device for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message history according to claim 26, wherein said processor is adapted to activate a synchronization module on said destination device and to transfer said <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ in response to an activation of said synchronization module.

28.   (currently amended) The source device for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ according to claim 27, wherein said synchronization module is adapted to determine a destination for said <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~.

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29.   (currently amended) The source device for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ according to claim 28, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to combine any associated data related to ~~said~~ <u>a</u> history into a combined <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~.

30.   (currently amended) The source device for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ according to claim 29, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to transfer said combined <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ to a final destination device in response to said determining of said destination is said final destination device.

31.   (currently amended) The source device for synchronizing a<u>n</u> <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ according to claim 28, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to transfer said <u>instant</u> message ~~history~~ to a final destination device in response to said determining of said destination is said final destination device.

32.   (currently amended) A destination device for synchronizing a<u>n instant</u> message ~~history~~, comprising:
        an interface adapted to communicate with a source device; ~~and~~
        <u>a synchronization module configured to accept said instant</u> <u>message from a source device in response to an activation message from said</u> <u>source device; and</u>
        a processor[[,]] ~~wherein said processor is~~ configured to establish a communication channel with said source device through said interface in response to a synchronization request at said source device<u>, convert said instant</u> <u>message from a first data format compatible with a first chat system into a</u> <u>second data format compatible with a second chat system</u> and to activate [[a]] <u>said</u> synchronization module ~~configured~~ to accept said message history from said source device in response to an activation message from said source device.

33.   (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 32, wherein said synchronization module is adapted to determine a destination of said instant message history.

34.   (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 33, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to combine any associated data related to said instant message history into a combined instant message history.

35.   (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 34, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to transfer said combined instant message history to a final destination device in response to said determining of said destination is said final destination device.

36.   (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 33, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to transfer said instant message history to a final destination device in response to said determining of said destination is said final destination device.

37.   (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 33, wherein said synchronization module is further configured to convert said instant message history to [[a]] preselected said second data format in response to said determining of said destination is said destination device.

38.   (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 37, wherein said synchronization module is further configured to store said converted instant message history in a predetermined location on said destination device.

39.   (currently amended) A system for synchronizing a chat history, comprising:

a communication network;

a source device configured to transfer said chat history over said communication network;

a destination device configured to received said chat history;

a source synchronization module ~~executing on~~ associated with said source device; and

a destination synchronization module ~~adapted to execute on~~ associated with said destination device[[,]] ~~wherein said source synchronization module is configured~~ to convert said chat history from a first data format compatible with a first chat system into a second data format compatible with a second chat system and to transfer said chat history in response to an activation of said destination synchronization module by said source synchronization module.

40.   (original) The system for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 39, wherein said source synchronization module is further configured to initiate transfer of said chat history in response to receiving a synchronization request at said source device.

41.   (original) The system for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 39, wherein said destination synchronization is configured to determine a destination of said chat history.

42.   (original) The system for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 41, wherein said destination synchronization module is further adapted to combine any associated data related to said chat history into a combined chat history.

43. The system for synchronizing a chat history according to claim 42, wherein said destination synchronization module is further adapted to transfer said combined chat history to a final destination device in response to said determining of said destination is said final destination device.

44. (original) The destination device according to claim 42, wherein said synchronization module is further adapted to transfer said chat history to a final destination device in response to said determining of said destination is said final destination device.

45. (original) The destination device according to claim 42, wherein said destination synchronization module is further configured to convert said chat history to a pre-selected data format in response to said determining of said destination is said destination device.

46. (currently amended) The destination device according to claim 45, wherein said destination synchronization module is further configured to store said converted ~~message~~ chat history in a predetermined location on said destination device.

47. (currently amended) A computer readable storage medium on which is embedded one or more computer programs, said one or more computer programs implementing a method of transferring an instant message ~~history~~ data, said one or more computer programs comprising a set of instructions for:

initiating a transfer of said instant message data ~~chat history~~;

transferring said ~~chat~~ instant message data in response to an establishment of a communication channel;

converting ~~combining associated data related to~~ said instant message data in a first instant message data format into a second instant message data format, said first instant message data format being compatible with a first instant messaging system and said second instant message data format being compatible with a second instant messaging system ~~chat history~~; and

determining a destination of said instant message data ~~chat history~~.

48. (currently amended) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 47, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

converting said instant message data ~~chat history~~ to a previously selected data format in response to said destination is a current computing platform; and

storing said converted instant message data ~~chat history~~ in a location previously determined.

49. (original) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 47, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

transmitting a completion message in response to a completion of said storing.

50.   (original) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 47, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

attempting to connect to said destination in response to said destination is not a current computing platform.

51.   (currently amended) A computer readable storage medium on which is embedded one or more computer programs, said one or more computer programs implementing a method of transferring a chat history, said one or more computer programs comprising a set of instructions for:

transferring said chat history in response to an establishment of a communication channel with said destination;

converting received data said chat history in a first data format into a previously selected second data format, said first data format being compatible with a first chat system and said second data format being compatible with a second data format; and

storing said converted chat history in a previously selected location.

52.   (original) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 51, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

transmitting a completion message in response to a completion of said storing.

53.	(currently amended) A computer readable storage medium on which is embedded one or more computer programs, said one or more computer programs implementing a method of synchronizing a ~~message~~ chat history, said one or more computer programs comprising a set of instructions for:

initiating a transfer of said chat ~~message~~ history in a first data format compatible with a first chat system;

transferring said chat ~~message~~ history in response to an establishment of a communication channel in a second data format compatible with a second chat system; and

determining a destination of said chat ~~message~~ history.

54.	(currently amended) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 53, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

converting said chat ~~message~~ history to a previously selected data format in response to said destination is a current computing platform; and

storing said converted ~~message~~ chat history in a location previously determined.

55.	(original) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 54, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

transmitting a completion message in response to a completion of said storing.

56.	(original) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 54, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

attempting to connect to said destination in response to said destination is not a current computing platform.

57.   (currently amended) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 56, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for:

transferring said chat ~~message~~ history in response to an establishment of a communication channel with said destination;

converting said chat history ~~received data~~ to a previously selected data format; and

storing said converted chat ~~message~~ history data in a previously selected location.

58.   (original) The computer readable storage medium according to claim 57, said one or more computer programs further comprising a set of instructions for: transmitting a completion message in response to a completion of said storing.